

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-25 (canceled).

26. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:
applying at least one coat of a skin peel composition to said skin, said composition comprising a mixture of
at least one skin exfoliation agent and
a melanin inhibiting agent comprising kojic acid, and wherein said kojic acid comprises up to 15% of said composition.
27. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said skin comprises the patient's facial skin.
28. (new) The method of claim 26 further comprising applying additional coats of said skin peel composition until a frosting occurs and then cleansing said skin.
29. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said patient has blemished skin.
30. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises 10% to 20% salicylic acid.
31. (new) The method of claim 30 wherein said composition further comprises lactic acid.
32. (new) The method of claim 31 wherein said composition comprises 10% to 20% lactic acid.
33. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said composition further comprises citric acid, and wherein said citric acid comprises up to 20% of said composition.

34. (new) The method of claim 30 wherein said composition comprises 10% to 20% lactic acid and up to 15% citric acid.
35. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said composition further comprises a water-ethanol mixture.
36. (new) The method of claim 35 wherein said composition comprises a 45% to 80% water-ethanol mixture.
37. (new) The method of claim 36 wherein said water-ethanol mixture has 70 parts water and 30 parts ethanol.
38. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said kojic acid comprises up to 5% of said composition and said skin exfoliation agent is selected from the group consisting of glycolic acid, pyruvic acid, retinoic acid, resorcinol, tartaric acid, malic acid, and salicylic acid.
39. (new) The method of claim 38 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises 5% to 20% salicylic acid and up to 5% retinoic acid.
40. (new) The method of claim 38 wherein said skin peel composition further comprises 5% to 15% aloe vera.
41. (new) The method of claim 38 wherein said composition further comprises a water-ethanol mixture.
42. (new) The method of claim 41 wherein said composition comprises a 15% to 80% water-ethanol mixture.
43. (new) The method of claim 42 wherein water-ethanol mixture has 70 parts water and 30 parts ethanol.

44. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises 5% to 20% salicylic acid and up to 5% resorcinol.
45. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said kojic acid comprises up to 5% of said composition and said composition further comprises hydroquinone, said hydroquinone comprising up to 2% of said composition.
46. (new) The method of claim 44 wherein said composition further comprises 5% to 20% citric acid.
47. (new) The method of claim 45 wherein said composition further comprises 5% to 20% citric acid and 5% to 15% casein.
48. (new) The method of claim 47 wherein said composition further comprises a water-ethanol mixture.
49. (new) The method of claim 48 wherein said composition comprises a 15% to 80% water-ethanol mixture.
50. (new) The method of claim 49 wherein said water-ethanol mixture has 70 parts water and 30 parts ethanol.
51. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said composition further comprises 0.2% to 6% hydroquinone.
52. (new) The method of claim 51 wherein said composition comprises 0.2% to 2% hydroquinone.
53. (new) The method of claim 44 wherein said composition further comprises 5% to 20% citric acid.
54. (new) The method of claim 51 wherein said composition further comprises 5% to 20% citric acid and 5% to 15% casein.

55. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises 14% salicylic acid, and said kojic acid comprises 3% of said composition.
56. (new) The method of claim 55 wherein said composition further comprises citric acid.
57. (new) The method of claim 56 wherein said composition comprises 10% citric acid.
58. (new) The method of claim 56 wherein said composition further comprises lactic acid.
59. (new) The method of claim 58 wherein said composition comprises 14% lactic acid.
60. (new) The method of claim 59 wherein said composition further comprises 10% citric acid.
61. (new) The method of claim 59 wherein said composition further comprises a water-ethanol mixture.
62. (new) The method of claim 61 wherein said composition comprises a 59% water-ethanol mixture, and wherein said water-ethanol mixture has 70 parts water and 30 parts ethanol.
63. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said kojic acid comprises between 1% to 5% of said composition, and said skin exfoliation agent comprises 10% to 20% salicylic acid and said composition further comprises 5% to 15% citric acid and 10% to 20% lactic acid.
64. (new) The method of claim 63 wherein said composition further comprises 0.1% to 3% hydroquinone.
65. (new) The method of claim 64 wherein said composition further comprises 45% to 80% aloe vera.

66. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:

applying at least one coat of a therapeutic skin peel composition to said skin, said composition comprising a mixture of 10% to 20% lactic acid, 5% to 15% citric acid, 1% to 5% kojic acid, and 45% to 80% ethanol-water mixture.
67. (new) The method of claim 66 wherein said composition further comprises 0.1% to 3% hydroquinone.
68. (new) The method of claim 66 wherein said composition further comprises 0.2% to 6% hydroquinone.
69. (new) The method of claim 68 wherein said composition further comprises 0.2% to 2% hydroquinone.
70. (new) The method of claim 66 wherein said water-ethanol mixture has 70 parts water and 30 parts ethanol.
71. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said composition further comprises either an ascorbate or glycyrrhizic acid.
72. (new) The method of claim 26 wherein said composition further comprises arbutin.
73. (new) The method of claim 71 wherein said composition further comprises hydroquinone.

74. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:
 - applying at least one or two coats of a therapeutic skin peel composition to said skin, said composition comprising salicylic acid, lactic acid, and a melanin bleaching agent, said melanin bleaching agent comprising citric acid, and
 - wherein said composition induces a patient's skin to peel when said at least one or two coats are applied to the patient's skin for two to four minutes.
75. (new) The method of claim 74 wherein said composition comprises 5% to 20% citric acid.
76. (new) The method of claim 75 wherein said composition comprises 5 to 15% citric acid.
77. (new) The method of claim 74 wherein said composition comprises 10% citric acid.

78. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:

applying a therapeutic skin peel composition to said skin, said composition a mixture of

a skin exfoliation agent;

a skin penetrating agent;

a melanin bleaching agent; and

a melanin formation inhibiting agent selected from the group consisting of one or more of arbutin, ascorbic acid phosphate magnesium salt, L-ascorbates and kudzu roots, ascorbates and urea, alkylsalicylic acid, arginine, buthionine sulfoximine, benzophenone, caffeic acid, chitosans, chromone derivatives, cinnamic acid, citric acid, conchiolin hydrolyzate, cystamine, 5,6-dihydroxyindole, dicaffeoylquinic acid, ellagic acid, erthorbic acid glucoside, Feldamycin, ferulic acid, fuzi acid derived from aconitum root, gamma-L-glutamyl-L cystine, gamma-L-cystine disulfide, glucosamine, glycyrrhizic acid, glycyrrhetic acid, gromwell seed extract, hydantoin, hydroquinone, hydroquinone glycoside, indomethicin methacin, kojic acid, kojic acid dimer, kojic acid glycosides, kojic acid succinimide ester, S-lactoyl glutathione, lavanols, licorice root extracts, linoleic acid, logwood extract, lysine and/or its derivatives, magnesium ascorbate, melanostatin, niacinimide, oxidized glutathione, phenylthiourea, phenol in low concentrations, f-polylysine, polyphenols, propionic acid, sulphur, superoxide dismutase, thiazoles, tranexamic acid, tricaffeoylquinic acid and vitamin K groups.

79. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said melanin bleaching agent is selected from the group consisting of citric acid, kojic acid, ascorbic acid, arbutin, hydroquinone, monobenzyl ether of hydroquinone, and monoethyl ether of hydroquinone, superoxide dismutase, gromwell seed extract, azelaic acid, mercaptopyridine, and glabridin.
80. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said exfoliating agent is selected from the group consisting of glycolic acid, pyruvic acid, retinoic acid, resorcinol, tartaric acid, malic acid, and salicylic acid.
81. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said skin penetrating agent is selected from the group consisting of crystal urea, aloe vera, casein, lactic acid, and alpha hydroxy acid mixtures.
82. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said melanin bleaching agent also acts as a melanin formation inhibitor agent.
83. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said melanin formation inhibiting agent is selected from the group consisting of kojic acid and hydroquinone, and wherein said melanin bleaching agent is selected from the group consisting of kojic acid and hydroquinone.
84. (new) The method of claim 83 wherein said skin penetrating agent comprises a mixture of alpha hydroxy acids.
85. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said melanin formation inhibiting agent is selected from the group consisting of kojic acid and arbutin and said skin bleaching agent comprises kojic acid.
86. (new) The method of claim 85 wherein said composition further comprises citric acid.

87. (new) The method of claim 78 wherein said melanin formation inhibiting agent is selected from the group consisting of kojic acid or citric acid and said skin bleaching agent is selected from the group consisting of kojic acid and hydroquinone.
88. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:
 - applying at least one coat of a therapeutic skin peel composition to said skin, said composition a mixture of
 - a skin exfoliation agent; and
 - a melanin formation inhibiting agent comprising glycyrrhizic acid.
89. (new) The method of claim 88 wherein said composition further comprises either lactic acid or glycolic acid.
90. (new) The method of claim 88 wherein said skin exfoliation agent is selected from the group consisting of salicylic acid, lactic acid, and glycolic acid.
91. (new) The method of claim 88 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises salicylic acid.
92. (new) The method of claim 91 wherein said composition comprises 10-20% salicylic acid.
93. (new) The method of claim 88 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises glycolic acid.

94. (new) A method of inducing a patient's skin to undergo light or intermediate skin peeling, said method comprising:
applying at least one coat of a therapeutic skin peel composition to said skin, said composition a mixture of
a skin exfoliation agent; and
at least one melanin formation inhibiting agent selected from the group consisting of kojic acid, L-ascorbate, licorice root extract, hydroquinone, arbutin, and superoxide dismutase.
95. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises L-ascorbate.
96. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises licorice root extract.
97. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises hydroquinone.
98. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises arbutin.
99. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises superoxide dismutase.
100. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises at least one agent selected from the group consisting of salicylic acid, glycolic acid, and lactic acid.
101. (new) The method of claim 100 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises L-ascorbate.

102. (new) The method of claim 100 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises licorice root extract.
103. (new) The method of claim 100 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises hydroquinone.
104. (new) The method of claim 100 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises arbutin.
105. (new) The method of claim 100 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises superoxide dismutase.
106. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises salicylic acid.
107. (new) The method of claim 106 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises L-ascorbate.
108. (new) The method of claim 106 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises licorice root extract.
109. (new) The method of claim 106 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises hydroquinone.
110. (new) The method of claim 106 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises arbutin.
111. (new) The method of claim 106 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises superoxide dismutase.
112. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises glycolic acid.

113. (new) The method of claim 112 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises L-ascorbate.
114. (new) The method of claim 112 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises licorice root extract.
115. (new) The method of claim 112 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises hydroquinone.
116. (new) The method of claim 112 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises arbutin.
117. (new) The method of claim 112 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises superoxide dismutase.
118. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said skin exfoliation agent comprises lactic acid.
119. (new) The method of claim 118 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises L-ascorbate.
120. (new) The method of claim 118 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises licorice root extract.
121. (new) The method of claim 118 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises hydroquinone.
122. (new) The method of claim 118 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises arbutin.
123. (new) The method of claim 118 wherein said at least one melanin inhibiting agent comprises superoxide dismutase.

124. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent comprises both arbutin and licorice root extract.
125. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent further comprises hydroquinone.
126. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent comprises both kojic acid and licorice root extract.
127. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent comprises both kojic acid and arbutin.
128. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent comprises kojic acid and said composition further comprises glycyrrhizic acid.
129. (new) The method of claim 94 wherein said melanin inhibiting agent comprises both arbutin and hydroquinone.